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<div>Summary of the פרשה, by עליות</div>	<div>ספר בראשית</div>
<p>פרק settled in כנען. יוסף, at the age of 17, was a shepherd with his brothers. He would bring bad reports about them to their father. יוסף loved יוסף more than his other sons, because he was “the son of his old age,” and he gave יוסף a colourful gown made of fine wool. יוסף’s brothers hated him because of this. יוסף had a dream in which his brothers’ sheaves of corn bowed down to his sheaf. His brothers hated him more when he told them. In his next dream the sun, moon and eleven stars were bowing down to him. His brothers now became jealous, “וַאֲבִיו שָׁמַר אֶת-הַדְּבָר” - but his father kept the matter in mind.</p> <p>לוי sent יוסף to find out how his brothers were getting on, shepherding in שכם. A man told יוסף that his brothers had gone to דתן. As יוסף approached, his brothers plotted to kill him and tell their father that a wild beast had eaten him, “וְנִרְאָה מִה-יָהִי חֲלֹמְתָיו” “and then we will see what will come of his dreams!” יוסף told them not to kill יוסף, but just to throw him into a pit. He intended to rescue יוסף and return him to their father.</p> <p>שלישי When יוסף arrived his brothers took his coat off him and threw him into the pit. They then sat down to eat. As a caravan of יִשְׁמָעֵאלִים passed by, הוֹדָה convinced his brothers that they should sell יוסף rather than kill him. They sold him for twenty pieces of silver and the יִשְׁמָעֵאלִים brought him down to מצרים. יוסף returned to the pit and found יוסף had gone. He tore his garments in grief. The brothers slaughtered a goat and dipped יוסף’s coat into it’s blood. They returned and showed the coat to their father, who tore his clothes and mourned for many days. Meanwhile, יוסף had been sold to פוֹטִיפָר, a courtier of פרעה.</p>	<div> <div>בְּרֵאשִׁית</div> <div>נח</div> <div>לֶד-לֶד</div> <div>וִירָא</div> <div>חַיִּי שָׁרָה</div> <div>תּוֹלְדֹת</div> <div>וַיֵּצֵא</div> <div>וַיִּשְׁלַח</div> <div>וַיָּשָׁב</div> <div>מִצְרָיִם</div> <div>וַיִּגָּשׁ</div> <div>וַיַּחֲיוֹ</div> </div>
<div> <div> <p>רביעי married יוסף bore three sons, called ער, שילה and און, ער married יוסף.</p> <p>חמישי was with יוסף, and he became successful. His Egyptian master noticed that ח was with him, and he appointed יוסף over his household. Once פוֹטִיפָר had appointed יוסף over his house, ח blessed him for יוסף’s sake, both “in the house and in the field.” פוֹטִיפָר was happy for יוסף to be in charge of his whole household. יוסף was of very handsome appearance.</p> <p>ששי יוסף’s master’s wife wanted to become very friendly with יוסף, but יוסף always refused to listen to her. One day, when he came to do his work in the house, and no servants were present, פוֹטִיפָר’s wife caught hold of his garment. יוסף ran away, leaving his garment in the woman’s hands. פוֹטִיפָר’s wife called to the men of the house, telling them that יוסף had attacked her but ran away when she screamed. She told her husband the same story upon his return home. פוֹטִיפָר put יוסף in prison. ח was with יוסף and the prison warden liked him. He was put in charge of all the inmates and everything that happened in the prison.</p> <p>“...and whatever he did, ח made him successful.”</p> <p>שביעי The שַׂר הַמִּשְׁקִים (chief butler) and the שַׂר הָאֻפִּיקִים (chief baker) sinned against their master, פרעה, and he threw them into the prison where יוסף was. Each of them had a dream. יוסף interpreted their dreams to mean that in three days the שַׂר הַמִּשְׁקִים would be returned to his post, but the שַׂר הָאֻפִּיקִים would be hung on a tree. יוסף asked the שַׂר הַמִּשְׁקִים to mention him to פרעה, so that he could get out of prison. On the third day it was פרעה’s birthday. He made a feast for his servants. פרעה returned the שַׂר הַמִּשְׁקִים to office (to his job) but the שַׂר הָאֻפִּיקִים was hung, just as יוסף had interpreted. However, the שַׂר הַמִּשְׁקִים did not remember יוסף פרעה.</p> </div> </div>	

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from the wisdom of the Rabbis...

<div>Pirkei Avos - Chapter : 1 Mishnah 17</div>	<div>פרקי אבות א: יז</div>
<p>שמעון, his son says: All my days I have been raised among the חכמים and I found nothing better for oneself than silence. Not study, but practice is the main thing, and one who talks too much brings on sin.”</p>	<p>ז שמעון בנו אומר, כל ימי גדלתי בין החכמים, ולא מצאתי לגוף טוב אלא שתיקה. ולא המדרש הוא העקר, אלא המעשה. וכל המרבה דברים, מביא חטא:</p>